

REMARKS

I. Prosecution History

Following prosecution through appeal, Claims 1-4, 6, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18-24, 25, 33-38, 44-48, 50-58, 65-70, 74-80 and 83-85 were rejected again under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Anderson, Jr. et al.*, 6,579,203 ("Anderson"), in view of *Paff*, US 5,164,827. Claims 7, 9, 10, 39, 40, 42, and 71-73 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Anderson* in view of *Paff* as applied to independent claims 1, 33 and 65, and further in view of *Narayanaswami*, US 6,657,654. Claims 27, 59, 60, 61, 81 and 82 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Anderson et al* in view of *Paff* as applied to claims 2 and 34 and further in view of *Honey et al*, U.S. 6,154,250.

In response to the decision from the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences dated January 29, 2010, a Rule for Continuing Examination is being filed wherein claims 5, 8, 11-12, 17, 26, 28-30, 32, 41, 43, 49, 64, and 78-95 are now canceled, new claims 96-101 have been added, and claims 1, 13, 18-22, 24, 33, 50-56, 63, and 65 have been amended. No new matter has been added to the application. The application is now believed to be in much better form for allowance and reconsideration is now respectfully requested.

II. Remarks Regarding Patentability of Applicant's claimed invention.

The Applicant's invention is in the field of multimedia entertainment technology. Applicant's invention is useful to provide video entertainment in the form of more than one video perspective captured by more than one synchronized camera located above and proximate to a performance platform such as a boxing ring, wrestling ring, concert stage, etc., located within a live entertainment venue for capturing video of a live performance or live entertainment performed before a live audience. The more than one video perspective is processed and delivered from a server connected to a data network to remote viewers for display. An important element of all Applicant's independent claims is claimed invention is in the inventions enablement of synchronized cameras including a primary camera located above and near the center of said performance platform and capturing images of live entertainment occurring on said performance platform from above said performance platform and at least one slave camera located proximate to the performance platform for capturing side views of entertainment

occurring on said platform. The synchronized cameras simultaneously capture of at least two arena camera views of a live entertainment activity while movement of the at least one slave camera being synchronized to movement of the primary camera. At least two arena camera views provided from the primary camera and the at least one slave camera are transmitted to a server where they are processed for display on a display screen associated with at least one remote viewer. Display of at least one arena camera view is enabled on a display screen associated with at least one remote viewer in response to user selection of said at least one arena camera view from said at least two arena camera views at the at least one remote viewer. Remote viewers can include digital entertainment monitors (e.g., HDTV systems) served data via cable television networks an/or satellite networks and also hand held devices (e.g., smart phones, PDAs,) served data via cellular telecommunications networks and/or WiFi, the remote viewers adapted to enable simultaneous receipt of multiple video perspective for selective display on a screen associated with the remote viewer.

FIGS. 28-31 of Applicant's specification illustrate an example of a typical scenario at an arena wherein a primary camera (master camera) is located above a boxing ring and at least two slave cameras are deployed around the boxing ring (in each corner). The slave cameras move in synchronization with the primary camera enabling the capture of more than one video perspective of activity within the boxing ring. Spectators at the arena or remote (e.g., at home) can view more than one video perspective given the more than one perspective being captured by the synchronized cameras.

Communications between the synchronized camera system and remote viewers as claimed and explicitly defined in the specification can includes use of public or private, secured or non-secured wireless equipment (e.g., servers, gateways, transmitters) and communications networks (e.g., IP data network, WiFi, Satellite, Cable TV, GSM, GPRS, W-CDMA) as described in the application.

Applicant believes that the claims as amended better capture the novelty of his invention and request reconsideration of the claims that are now amended according and should now be in better form for allowance following extensive prosecution, including appeal, of the application.

III. Conclusion

Applicant believes the amendments and new claims, together with the above remarks, place the pending claims in a condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests the withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102 and 103 based on the forgoing. Reconsideration and early allowance of Applicant's application is also respectfully solicited.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned representative to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,



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